



DEPARTMENT OF
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QUESTIONS AND RESPONSES # 7
PROJECT NO. 050B780011
Microsoft Select and Enterprise Products and Services Large Account Re-Seller
May 10, 2007

Ladies/Gentlemen:

This Question and Response #7, question #36 is being issued to clarify certain information contained in the above named IFB. The statements and interpretations of contract requirements, which are stated in the following question of potential bidders, are not binding on the State, unless the State expressly amends the IFB. Nothing in the State's response to this question is to be construed as agreement to or acceptance by the State of any statement or interpretation on the part of the vendor asking the question as to what the contract does or does not require.

36. Will the state of Maryland have any say at all as to which MBE an order should go through on the list of MBE's that are submitted? Can the state add or request specific MBE's to be added to the contract that are not originally on the list that is submitted by the LAR?

RESPONSE:

No, the State of Maryland will not have any say as to which MBE an order will go through on the list of MBE's that are submitted. In addition, the State will not request that specific MBE's not originally on the MBE Participation Schedule (Form J-2) submitted by the LAR be added to the contract. However, if a LAR would like to add MBE's that were not originally submitted and approved, it must first request approval from the State. It is strictly the LAR's decision which MBE's it chooses to subcontract with and list on its MBE Participation Schedule.

Remember bids are due on May 11, 2007 no later than 2:00 p.m. If there are questions concerning this solicitation, please contact me via e-mail at khall@dbm.state.md.us or call me at (410) 260-7414 as soon as possible.

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